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PRESIDENTIAL
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It's official foks, the first round of Presidential elections for Aurenza have been scheduled. Voting will open soon.

This move from President Zemi comes in the wake of a corruption scandal as he recently dissolved parliament after claiming emergency presidential powers with the support of the supreme court due to "inactivity in the government". While on the surface a valid claim, it has been met with vicious opposition on all sides of the political spectrum.

Many ask what right the President has to remove sitting elected officials from power without so much as a national hearing.

Though tensions are high, this newspaper is happy to announce the immigration of new citizen Pekroler and the creation of Pekristia Republica, the newest centre-left party of Demetheria.



Picture Caption: The newest political party's leader, Pekroler.



Picture Caption: All of the candidates in the upcoming Presidential elections.

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WHO'S YOUR CANDIDATE?
Politics

In these turbulent times, with massive government upheaval lead by President Zemi in response to parliamentary inaction in the face of many threats to our national sovereignty, there is one question on the forefront of many minds; who even are the candidates, anyway?

With the startling lack of up-to-date news reporting available for the average newcomer, it can be difficult to find where to start, especially for your first election. This article will aim to cover the various political parties and their positions on current issues we all face as citizens of this great nation.

SPECIAL MENTION: Pekristia Republica Leader: Pekroler

I felt that it was necessary, despite his decision to step down from the up-coming presidential election, to make mention of the newest political party on the block; Pekristia Republica.

Being self-described centrist, PR is led by an ambitious newcomer to Aurenza; Pekroler. Despite his inexperience, Pekroler - part of the coalition government with Sir Wellington - has strong ideas for the future of this great nation. Recently, he has placed an emphasis on affordable housing, social programs, et cetera for active members of society.

New Arrivals
The latest updates

Austin G.T.

An influx of immigrants into Aurenza has proved that there is, in fact, an economic crisis despite President Zemi's claims against it.

Public Opinion Swings!
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Proved by recent polling, it would appear that the coalition led by Sir Beef Wellington has swung to the lead in the election. Could this be a sign of changing times?

Supreme Court
approves Emergency
Powers
Justice

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The supreme court has released a statement allowing for President Zemi's claiming of emergency powers and the president's ability to dissolve parliament at any time.

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Pekroler, alongside Sir Wellington, is in the process of planning an anti-corruption board to be set up if his coalition is elected. This board would be independent from the government and made up of average people with the aim of reducing corruption and preventing the claiming of emergency powers outside of an emergency. The board will hire a “secret service” to "make sure unrest is low and nobody spreads corruption", but this reporter has been informed that "doesn’t mean that Pekroler will tell people to not say anything against me. It’s just against corruption" APP - Aurenza People’s Party Leader: Sir Beef Wellington The Aurenza People’s Party is a self-identified centrist party led by Sir B. Wellington. With a strong focus on a wide range of issues, they’re more experienced than a lot of the opposition. In the upcoming election, they are planning a coalition with other experienced and new members of government; Qamar al-Haq, Sir Beef Wellington, Pekroler, and Braxto. When reached out for comments on their focuses, Sir Wellington responded with the statement that "he will make sure no person in Aurenza is under the poverty line (\$2500). While a strong statement, it remains unclear how the party will achieve this goal, though he clearly stated his support for welfare and the rights to "shelter, food, water, and energy". Sir Wellington also stated his support for journalists and news companies, and his protests against this administration’s decision (under President Zemi) to remove sitting parliamentary members from their positions of power. Asked for a message to the people of Aurenza, he came back with a strong plea; "Rise against this dictator now or forever be in the chains of slavery. We will not tolerate the formation of a hand picked council and the destruction of the parliament."	AVP Leader: Prime Minister Angora The AVP, led by sitting PM Angora, is the self-described “best party evr”. Historically a Coalition member in Lomenica before its dissolution, Angora’s policies have been strictly centrist. Though he was not available for comment at the time of writing, his history suggests that he did, at least once, vote for the National-Socialist party of Lomenica for economic reasons; the very name that the Nazi party of Germany operated under from 1933-1945. It is unclear whether he knows of this association. NPA – Nationalist Party of Aurenza Leader: Braxto Led by businessman Braxto, the NPA has largely been inactive. It is a right-wing, populist party and the current underdog in the race for presidency. Braxto has historically offered jobs to many citizens that would otherwise have starved, placing many in his debt. It is yet unclear whether this will effect his chances in the polls. NSAAP - National-Socialist Aurenzean Workers’ Party Leader: A-Golf Riddler Under the same name as the Nazi party in Germany from 1933-1945, the NSAAP represents the hard right of Aurenza. While it is unclear what their policies represent, and their leader was unavailable for comment, it can only be assumed that their policies are similar; the name and leader cannot be a coincidence. It is important to note that the National-Socialist party of Germany was not socialist in the slightest. Their policies - economic and social - were antithetical to that of socialism. Socialism suggests that basic items - food, housing, water, energy, healthcare - should be free, or at least cheaper. Nazism suggested a more traditionally right-wing ideology of the destruction of the welfare state and the belief that if you are not working to better the country, you should be left to starve.	Wellington’s Aurenza People’s Party would suggest that their goals are largely the same. WU - Workers Union Leader: Teodafik The first and only self-professed socialist party on the list, the Workers Union is a left-wing party with the goal of achieving an "equal, socialist paradise in Aurenza" and maintaining "good relations" with its neighbor state (The Commonwealth). With the support of the server bot, it would appear that this party has good stakes in the upcoming elections. Teodafik has historically called President Zemi a dictator for his positions on democratic process and his recent attempts to invoke emergency powers resulting in the indefinite dissolution of parliament. While the WU is the most left-wing party on the list, it is rather moderate on its stances and holds a good chance of being elected if President Zemi doesn’t take action to combat the accusations of anti-democratism. And there we have it, folks. This upcoming election is - perhaps - one of the most important in Aurenzean history. It will feature most sides of the political spectrum, from the far right to the centre-left, and the current tension is high. Corruption scandals, the dissolution of parliament, the economic crisis, the housing crisis are all issues that are bound to be considered before voting. God bless you, reader, and God bless Aurenza Long Live Aurenza!

	UFP - United Forward Party Leader: Qamr al-Haq The United Forward Party is a centre-left movement focused on "lowering taxes, uniting the nation, and boosting employment". They believe in "progress through unity, fairness, and opportunity". This sort of messaging is consistent with its leader, al-Haq's, history and the basis of socialism worldwide. While unavailable for comment, his coalition with Sir	
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